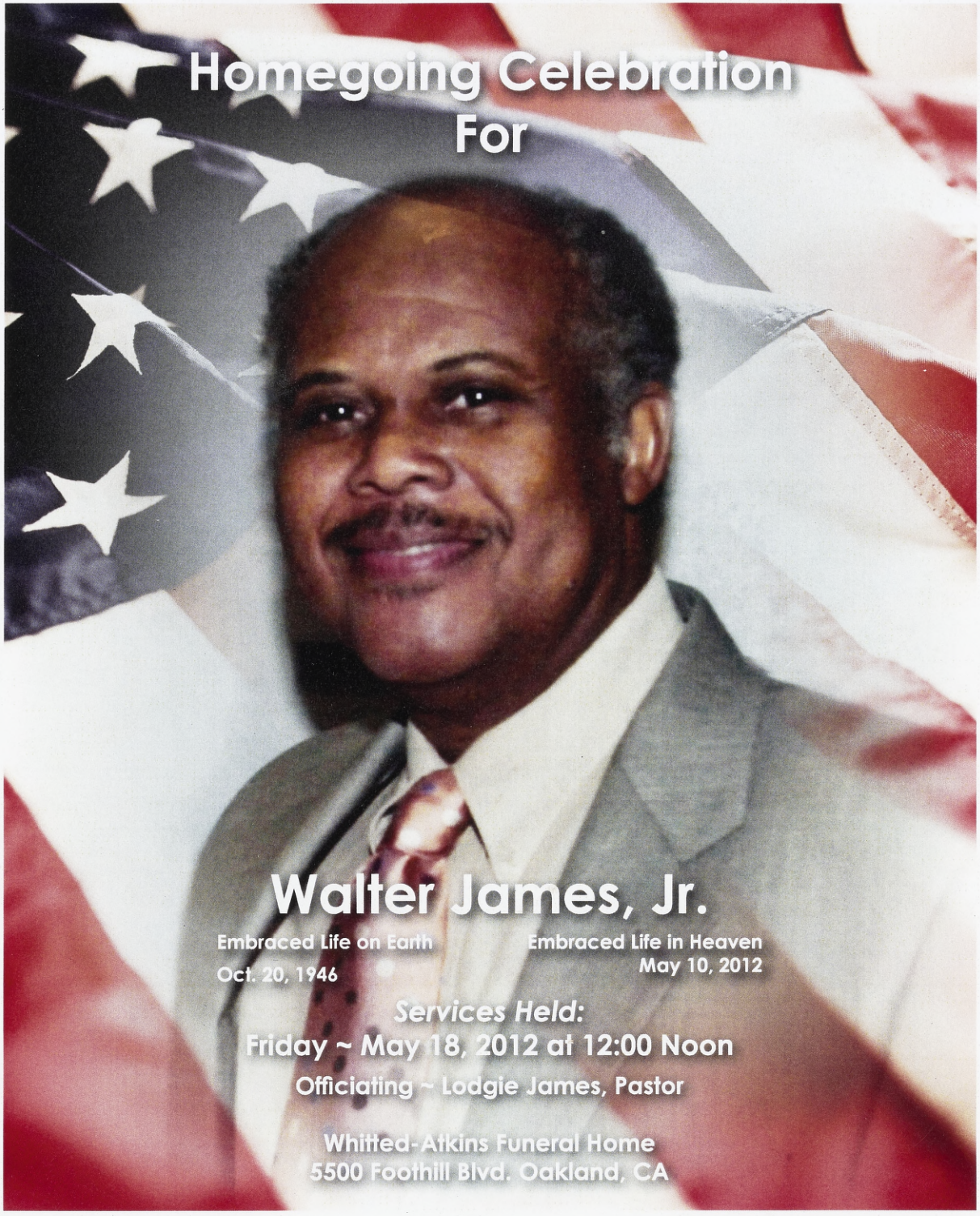

Homegoing Celebration
For
Walter James, Jr.
Embraced Life on Earth
Oct. 20, 1946
Embraced Life in Heaven
May 10, 2012
Services Held:
Friday ~ May 18, 2012 at 12:00 Noon
Officiating ~ Lodgie James, Pastor
Whitted-Atkins Funeral Home
5500 Foothill Blvd. Oakland, CA

Obituary

Walter James, Jr., was born October 20, 1946 to the union of Walter James, Sr., and Dorothy C. James in San Francisco, California. He attended public schools in San Francisco and graduated from Abraham Lincoln High School in 1964. He attended City College of San Francisco.

Walter James, Jr., joined the United States Air Force in May, 1966. He was stationed in England, and this is where he developed his eclectic taste for music, food and travel. He served for four years and was honorably discharged in May 1970 at the rank of Sergeant. He met Rita Harris and they had a child, Leon James.

He was married to Renee Simmons in 1978 and was married for 14 years, they had one child together, Venus James.

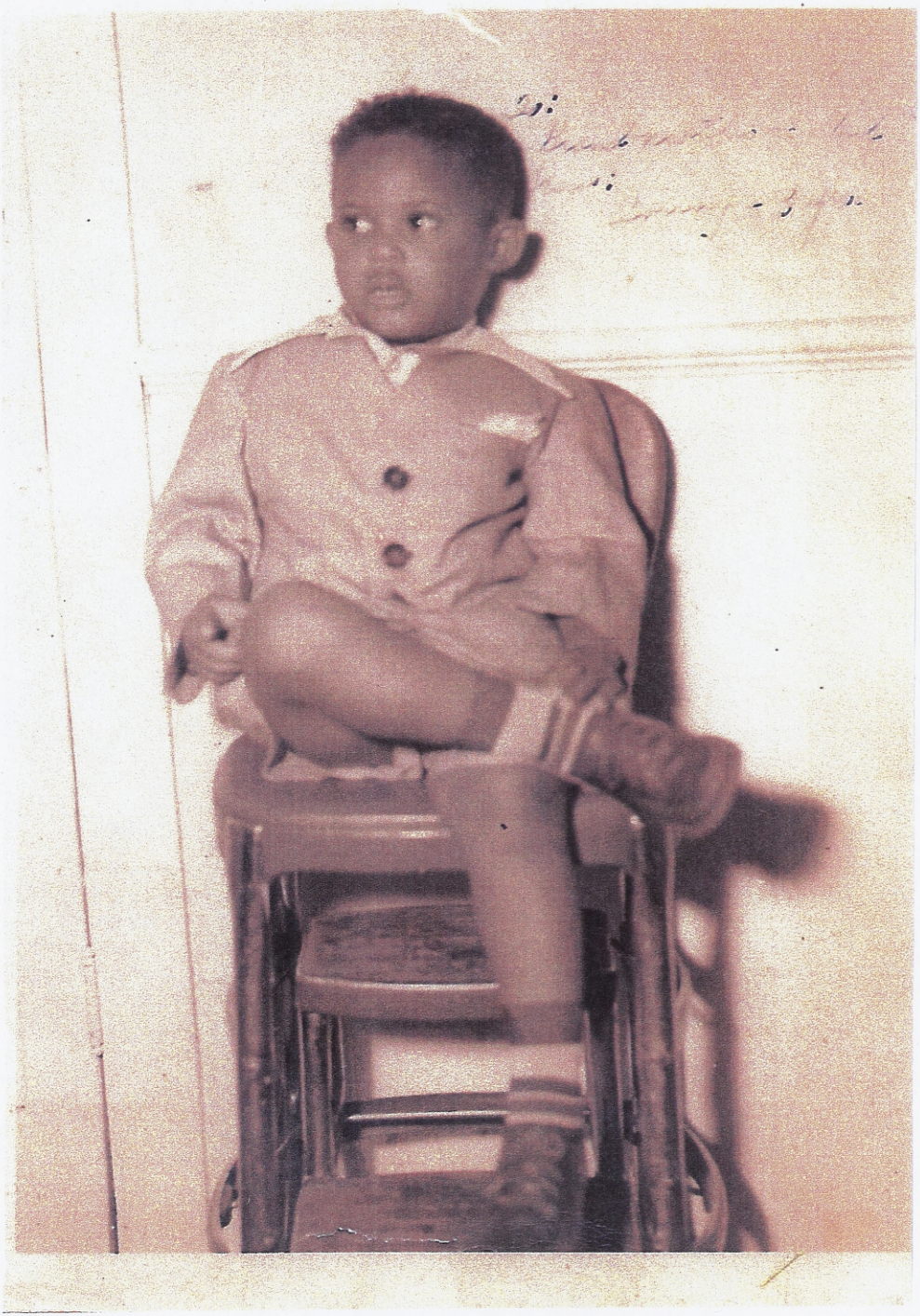
In his early 30's he became very active and trained with Martial Arts, and he achieved a black belt. He also developed a joy for running. James loved life, and enjoyed fishing with his brother Bobbie James.

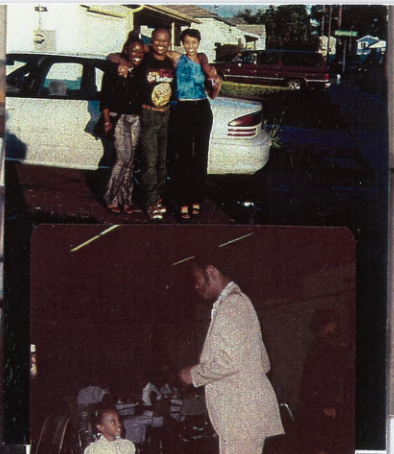
Walter James, Jr., was a long-time member of James Memorial Church of God in Christ when his father, the late Eld. Walter James, Sr., was the pastor. He has continued remaining a member of the church when his brother became the Pastor.

Walter James, Jr., was married to Ethel Higgins; they were married for 11 years. They were both members of the Orchid Society of California where Walter James Jr. served as the President, Vice President and a member of the board.

On December 18, 2011, Walter James, Jr., gave his life to Christ and became a member of God's Church. He gave his "testimony" during a Sunday morning service on April 22, 2012.

Walter James, Jr., leaves to cherish his memory, his wife, Ethel James of Hayward, CA; his father who preceded him in death (Pastor Walter James, Sr.); his mother who preceded him in death (Mrs. Dorothy James); his son, Leon James of San Antonio, Texas; his daughter, Venus James of Oakland, California; his granddaughter, Cassandra James; his brother, Bobbie James of Hercules, CA; his brother, Pastor Lodgie James of Hercules, CA; Jacqueline Smith and husband Cornell, Henry Thompson, Kenneth Williams, 4 step grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.



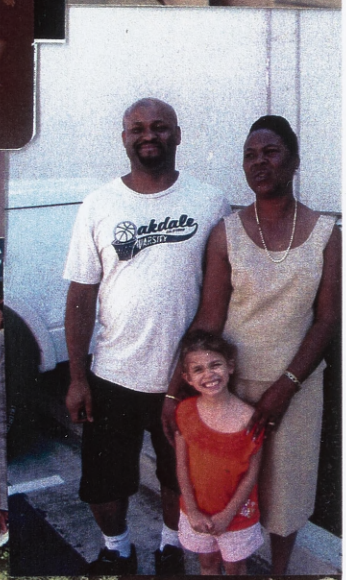


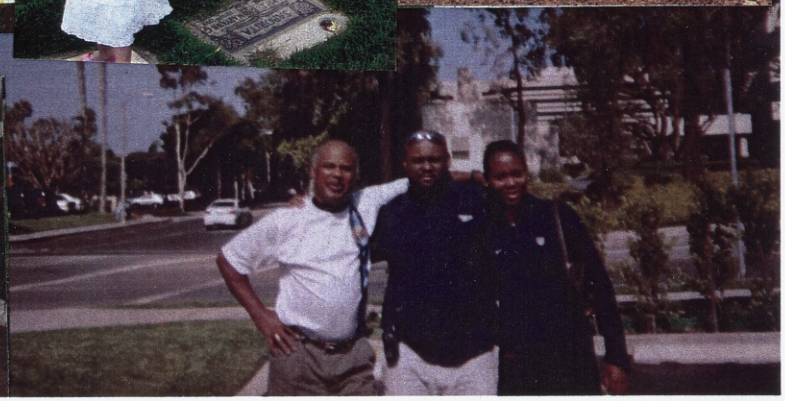
Walter James, Jr.

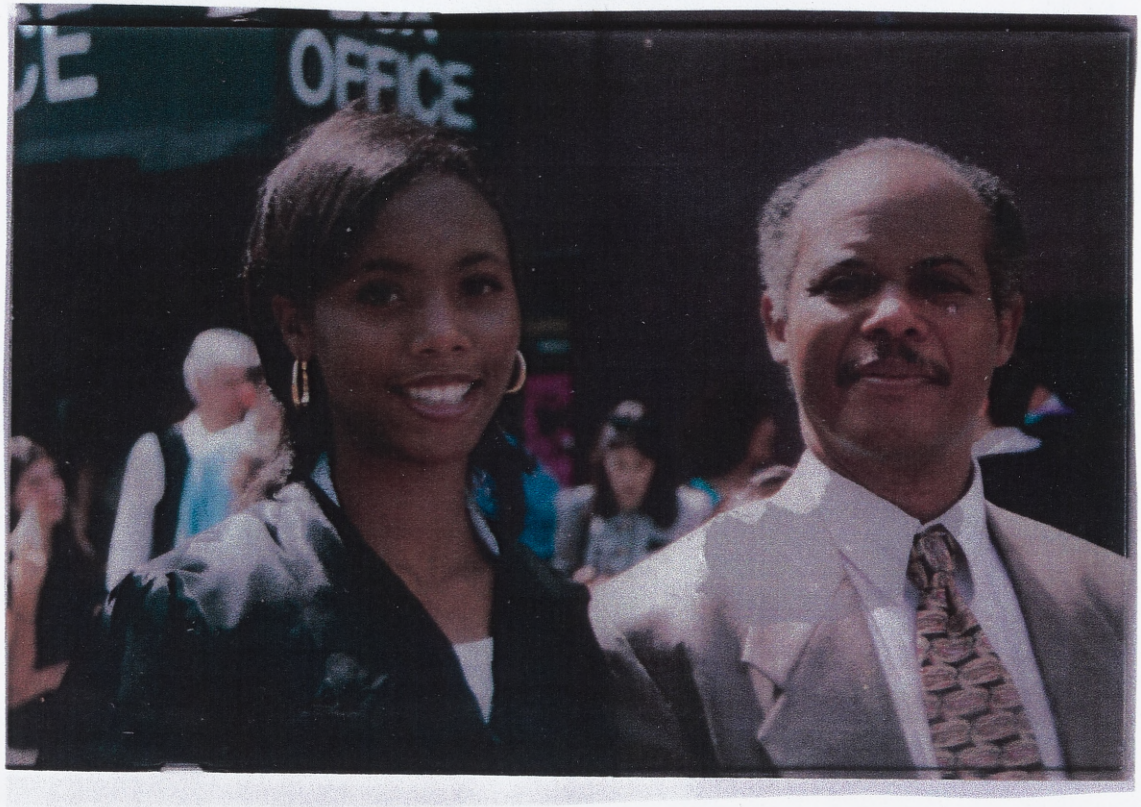
30 year Service Pin Award

October 8th, 2009

Jay Williams, Walter James, Jr. & Dave Mann



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Order of Homegoing Celebration

Processional . . . . . Clergy and Family

Prayer . . . . . Pastor L. James

Scripture . . . . . Deacon W. Johnson

Congregational Song . . . . .

Last Testimony . . . . . Evangelist M. James

Expressions / Tribute . . . . . Ms. V. James

Reading of Obituary . . . . . Mrs. K. Johnson

Acknowledgement & Condolences . . . . . Missionary F. Johnson

Sermonic Solo . . . . .

The Message . . . . . Pastor L. James

Parting View . . . . . Mortuary Staff

Recessional

Honorary Pallbearers

Leon James, Bobbie James, Lodgie James, Jr.
Leslie Smith, Cornell Smith, Jeremy James

Acknowledgement

With grateful and appreciative hearts,
We the family of Walter James, Jr. wish to thank each of you for your outpouring of love, during our time of bereavement.
We sincerely appreciate your expressions
of compassion and love.
May God bless each of you.

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